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Manager's Newsletter

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Highlights from Town Council Meeting – August 3, 2009

- Council approved a conditional use permit to establish a temporary lawn and garden center at Home Depot.
- Council discussed and made suggestions for the text amendment proposal to add a new section to the Kitty Hawk Town Code outlining standards for the establishment, operation, and maintenance of wind turbines and other wind energy facilities. The proposal will be scheduled for the September 8th council meeting.
- Council approved a change order for The Woods Road to Cypress Knee Trail Multi Use Path. This order deletes \$300 for painted pavement striping and adds \$1170 for thermoplastic pavement striping.

Recycling Center Expansion is Complete

Through a joint effort between the Town of Kitty Hawk and Dare County, the Kitty Hawk Recycling Center has been expanded. The development included expansion of the fencing to allow for a safer and easier path to the dumpsters, the addition of a 40 yard dumpster for cardboard, and the construction of a shelter to house various collection containers. The center is now able to accept: Aluminum cans, steel/tin cans, glass bottles and jars (all colors), #1 - #7 plastics, cardboard, papers/magazines, white goods (i.e. appliances, grills). The center also accepts oils (hydraulic, motor, diesel), gasoline, kerosene, cooking oil, anti-freeze, oil filters, batteries, tires (off the rim), and electronics.

The Center has partnered with North Carolina Marine Fisheries and is collecting shells (oyster, clam, mussel) for planting in area waters. This is a proven way to increase the habitat for shellfish.

Kitty Hawk residents are provided a dumpster for the disposal of construction and demolition debris in small amounts. We can not allow large quantities from individuals. This fills up the dumpster too fast resulting in other residents not being able to dispose of their items.

Items can not be accepted from contractors. Contractors must utilize the Dare County C & D landfill in Mann's Harbor. We can not accept styrofoam or any type of paints.

All of our residents are encouraged to utilize our facility and help Kitty Hawk stay clean and green.

Kitty Hawk Fire Department News

During the month of July 2009, the Kitty Hawk Fire Department responded to 115 emergency calls for service. The breakdown is as follows:

Mutual Aid	9
Cooking fire, confined to container	1
Passenger vehicle fire	1
Natural vegetation fire, other	1
Cultivated vegetation, crop fire, other	1
Medical Calls	62
Vehicle accident with injuries	5
Motor vehicle/pedestrian accident	1
Motor vehicle accident with no injuries	4
Surf rescue	1
Watercraft rescue	4
Hazardous condition, other	2
Accident, potential accident	8
Vehicle accident, general cleanup	7
Assist police or other governmental agency	1
Local alarm system, malicious false alarm	1
Smoke detector activation due to malfunction	2
Alarm system sounded, no fire – unintentional	3
Lightning strike (no fire)	1

Congratulations to Ben Alexander, Fire Inspector for the Town of Kitty Hawk, who was awarded the Fire Inspector Level II Certificate by the North Carolina Code Officials Board on 7/28/09. To qualify for Level II certification, the inspector must have four years of fire inspection experience and pass the State exam for this level. The Level II Certificate allows Ben to inspect all current commercial buildings in the Town of Kitty Hawk.

Spaghetti Diner
Hosted by
Kitty Hawk Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary

Sunday, August 16, 2009
4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Kitty Hawk Fire Department
859 West Kitty Hawk Road

\$10/adult / \$5 child – at door
\$8 adult / \$3 child – in advance

To purchase advance tickets, please contact Jenn at 216-6763.

Proceeds to benefit the Kitty Hawk Fire Department

July Building Permit Report

The Town's Planning and Inspections Department issued thirty nine (39) building permits totaling \$532,064 in July 2009. Nine (9) commercial permits were issued valued at \$55,461. Thirty (30) residential building permits were issued valued at \$476,603.

The full report for July can be viewed at the [Monthly Building Permit Report](#) found on the Town Website.

Police Department Activities for July 2009:

Calls for Service	975
Criminal Investigations Initiated	31
Traffic Accidents Investigated	32
Residence Checks	17
Business Checks	349
Foot Patrol	116
Request for Mutual Aid from other Departments	23
Citations Issued	154
Warnings Issued	192
Arrests	59

Code Enforcement Activities July 2009

<u>CODE VIOLATIONS</u>		
Notice of Violations Issued	3	
Civil Citations Issued	1	
Land Disturbance Activity		
Public Nuisance	1	
Abandon/Junk Vehicles	4	
Right of Way Encroachments		
Lighting Violations		
Site Plan Violations	2	
No Building Permit		
Home Occupations		
Signs	10	
Noise Violations		
Flood Ordinance		
TOTALS	21	
<u>CAMA PERMITS</u>		
Minor Permits	1	
Exemption Letters		
Beach Push Permits		
CAMA Violations Issued		
TOTALS	1	
<u>BANNER PERMITS</u>		
TOTALS	2	
<u>OUTDOOR GATHERING PERMITS</u>		
TOTALS	2	
<u>FIRE INSPECTIONS</u>		
Assembly	4	7 Violations
Business	3	7 Violations
Mercantile	5	2 Violations
Educational	1	2 Violations
Residential	1	1 Violation
Industrial		
Manufacturing		
Hood System		
Tent		
Sprinkler Systems		
Re-inspections		
First	8	18 Violation Corrected
Second		
Third		
Fifth	1	7 Violations Not Corrected
TOTALS	23	

Police Department Offers Training for Citizens

Interested in learning more about Internet Safety for Parents, then join Police Detective Brian Strickland on Wednesday, August 19th at 7 p.m. The presentation will take place at Kitty Hawk Town Hall located at 101 Veterans Memorial Drive.

*Note subject matter is sensitive and children need not to attend.

Recycling Saves Energy

It almost always takes less energy to make a new product from recycled materials than it does to make it from new materials:

- When making cans, using recycled aluminum requires 96% less energy than manufacturing new aluminum from its virgin material, bauxite.
- The production of recycled paper uses 80% less water and 65% less energy, and produces 95% less air pollution than virgin paper production. Recycling plastic bottles uses 76% less energy.
- Recycled glass uses 21% less energy than manufacturing glass from raw materials. The energy saved from recycling one glass bottle can run a 100-watt light bulb for four hours. It also causes 20% less air pollution and 50% less water pollution than when a new bottle is made from raw materials.

The question has been raised about how efficient recycling is after all of the hauling, transporting, and processing involved in recycling. According to a recent study, the entire recycling process uses 11.3 million BTU to manufacture new products from a ton of recycled material. In comparison, manufacturing the same goods from virgin materials uses 23.3 million BTU (over twice the energy).

The Town of Kitty Hawk and Dare County operate a recycling collection center at the County boat ramp off of Bob Perry Road. This recycling center is currently open 6 days per week, Monday through Saturday, with operating hours from 8:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. At this facility, the Town accepts recyclable plastics, aluminum cans, paper, cardboard, and glass, as well as minor residential debris, white goods, motor oil, scrap metal, and common household items.

Curbside pick-up of recyclable materials is also available to Town of Kitty Hawk residents once a week, on Mondays, for a monthly fee of \$8.95. If you are interested in signing up for this voluntary service, then please contact Outer Banks Hauling at 252-480-6699.

**** NOTE:** This article is the last in a series of articles about recycling.

Voluntary Residential Curbside Recycling July Monthly Report

Tons Collected	4.04
Number of Carts / Customers	100
Refused Service	0
Undeliverable Loads	0

Approximate Collection Percentages

Newsprint	11.40%
HDPE-Plastic	15%
Aluminum	11.43%
Pet Plastic	14.29%
Steel	10.0%
Old Corrugated Cardboard	8.0%
Glass	31.25%
Residue	17.86%

Opportunities to Participate

Heritage Day Meeting

Tuesday, August 18, 2009 at 6 p.m.

Town Council Meeting

Tuesday, September 8, 2009 at 6 p.m.

Planning Board Meeting

Thursday, September 10, 2009 at 6 p.m.

(All Meetings to be held at Kitty Hawk Town Hall unless otherwise noted.)